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By Fax

The Honorable Sidney H. Stein
U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York
Daniel Patrick Moynihan U.S. Courthouse
500 Pearl St., Room 1010
New York, NY 10007

Re:

<u>Georgia-Pacific Consumer Prods., LP v. International Paper Co., (No. 07-CV-9627 (SHS) (THK))</u>

Your Honor:

On behalf of Defendant International Paper Company ("International Paper"), I write in reply to Ingo Sprie's letter of today.

First, I take very seriously the suggestion that Mr. Sprie was not properly served our prior letter. As the fax confirmation attached hereto shows, that is not correct. Mr. Sprie was simultaneously and timely served in accord with this Court's practice.

Second, Georgia-Pacific is incorrect that International Paper's Rule 12(b)(6) dismissal motion and Plaintiff's motion for judgment are "two sides of the same coin." Indeed, there is a significant difference between determining whether a Plaintiff's complaint recites a valid claim for relief, on the one hand, and granting that relief and judgment to a Plaintiff, on the other. Moreover, as Mr. Sprie's letter indicates, Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment raises issues well beyond International Paper's motion to dismiss. For example, Mr. Sprie refers to "the interpretation of two contracts," whereas the pending motion to dismiss raises only one. And notwithstanding Mr. Sprie's contention that the contracts should now be interpreted as a matter of law without the benefit of any discovery, Plaintiff's motion for summary judgment injects significant extrinsic evidence not previously produced to International Paper and certainly not cited in its motion to dismiss. See D.I. 15, compare D.I. 10.

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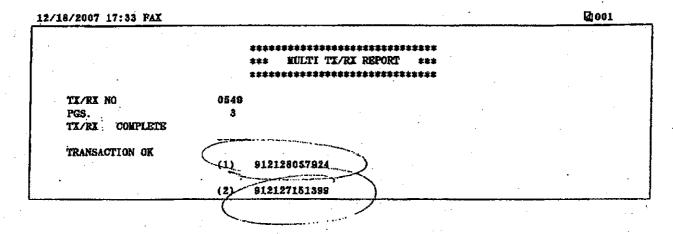
Finally, with regard to Plaintiff's agreement to a reasonable extension, International Paper proposes that it file its reply papers on its motion to dismiss on January 11, 2008. And, to the extent the Court does not stay Georgia-Pacific's summary judgment motion, International Paper requests that it be permitted to respond under Rule 56 by January 25, 2008.

Respectfully submitted,

Joseph Serino, Jr.

Enclosure

cc: Ingo W. Sprie, Jr., Esq. (by fax)
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